

IOMSN EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

January 16, 2017

Present: Megan Weigel, President, Connie Easterling, Past President, Tricia Pagnotta, Secretary, Bev Layton, Treasurer

Staff: June Halper Executive Director, Marguerite Herman, Roberta Elwell, Lisa Skutnik

- A. Call to Order: 6 PM June
- B. Approval of Minutes, November 28, 2016 meeting All
- C. Executive Director's Report June

a. Nurse Mini Fellowship Program-- Pat Melville is helping with this program at Stoneybrook MS Center. We have 35 applicants for 6 positions. June and Marguerite are going to Stoneybrook next week to review site. We have not gotten any additional funds from Genzyme, IOMSN has committed to \$75,000 for this program. Program will be Monday through Thursday and housing will be provided. There will be a blinded review process for persons who submit for this program to ensure it is nonbiased. Goal is to have Nurses who have less than 2 years of experience and who are not certified

b. Scholarships applications are being reviewed. 1 from Iowa and 1 from VA so far.

c. Regionals-- So far we have \$ 60,000 from Abbvie. Genzyme declined to give this year. Programs are set for Jersey City on 4/1 with Aliza Ben Zacharia chairing and Delaware on 4/8 chair to be announced. Looking for local talent to keep expenses at minimal.

- D. LiveWise MS June

Site is operational. Having great success with lots of traffic thus far. Getting comments on Facebook and Blogs. The group will be having conference call on January 27th to discuss specific statistics.

- E. Annual Meeting Megan

Theresa La Rocca has stepped down from chairing the Dinner and Awards Committee due to health. Bev is going to help Mary Kay and June with Dinner. We have decided to have a more formalized Nominating Committee Structure to have the Past President Chair the Committee each term. Therefore this year Connie will be chairing. Leny will help send out calls for nominations for awards in Newsletter and email blast. Connie would like to get the assistance of Regional Liaisons. Tricia will look back in minutes from last year's IOMSN board meeting for persons who wanted to volunteer

- F. Adjournment: 6:30 PM Next meeting February 20, 2017, 6 PM